



AN ACT REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION ALONG U.S. HIGHWAY 2; REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT SEEK FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE A STATE MATCH; REMOVING THE PROHIBITION ON EXPENDING RESOURCES THAT WOULD JEOPARDIZE FUTURE HIGHWAY PROJECTS; AND AMENDING SECTION 60-2-133, MCA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1.** Section 60-2-133, MCA, is amended to read:

**"60-2-133. U.S. highway 2 -- planning -- funding.** (1) The commission ~~shall~~ may direct the department to construct a four-lane highway generally along the present route of U.S. highway 2 from the North Dakota border to the Idaho border in order to increase tourism and to bring economic development to Montana. Planning for the U.S. highway 2 project ~~must~~ may be included in any future fiscal plan developed by the department.

~~(2) The department shall seek additional federal funding that does not require a state funding match for the U.S. highway 2 project.~~

~~———— (3) The department may not expend any resources on the U.S. highway 2 project that would jeopardize any future highway projects."~~

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
SB 0222, originated in the Senate.

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Secretary of the Senate

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

SENATE BILL NO. 222  
INTRODUCED BY K. HANSEN

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